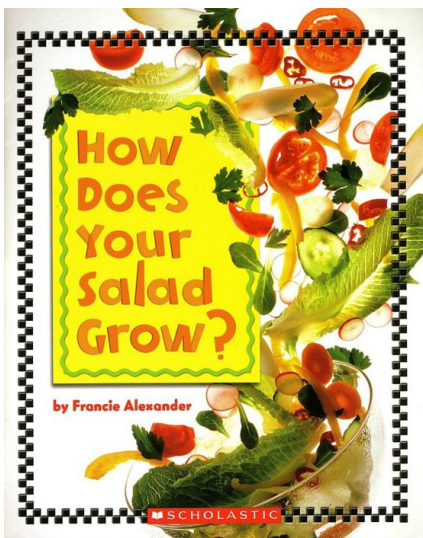


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“Watch it Grow”



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1. Let's Talk - "Watch it Grow"

- Describe locations for where things grow ("in the garden," "next to the porch steps," "near the fence," etc.)
- Use action words (picking flowers, pruning, weeding, digging, poking, scattering, patting)
- Talk about what plants need to grow (soil, sunshine, water)
- Identify parts of the flower (stem, leaves, thorn, petals, bloom)

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2. Let's Sing - "Watch it Grow"

We Need Seeds (Mailbox magazine-Diane Gilliam and Angie Kutzer)

Tune:  The Muffin Man 

Oh, do you know that seeds need soil,
Seeds need soil, seeds need soil? Oh, do
you know that seeds need soil, To grow
and grow and grow?

Additional verses:

Oh, do you know that seeds need rain....

Oh, do you know that seeds need sun...

Oh, do you know that we need seeds...

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3. Let's Read - "Watch it Grow"

- The Carrot Seed by Ruth Krauss
- One Bean by Anne Rockwell
- A Fruit is a Suitcase for Seeds by Jean Richards
How a Seed Grows by Helene Jordan
- The Tiny Seed by Eric Carle

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4. Let's Play - "Watch it Grow"

- Involve children in planting a flower or some seeds. Continue to keep their interest by having them take care of it daily. Watch the changes and talk about them.
- If you have the space and time, plan a garden with your child and make it come true.
- Pick daffodils or dandelions and give them to someone special.
- Keep plastic buckets, shovels and trowels available for digging in the dirt and sand.

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